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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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FOR: PARTS COUNTING DEVICE, PARTS COUNTING PROGRAM, AND PARTS  
COUNTING METHOD OF 3-DIMENSIONAL ARRANGEMENT ADJUSTMENT  
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**COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE**

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SIR:

The "Statement of Reasons for Allowance" included on page 2 of the Notice of Allowability dated November 24, 2009 characterizes the invention in terms of elements of an apparatus and does not mention any method steps. Therefore, the "Statement" mischaracterizes the invention in unduly narrow terms inconsistent with the actual claim language. Accordingly, the "Statement" is limited to claims 1-18 which cover the apparatus and does not relate to method claim 21.

Respectfully Submitted,

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